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De pictore, ſculptore, fictore, niſi artifex judicare.... non poteſt. PLIN. Ep. I. 12.

IT is very juſtly obſerved by the ingenious and learned Mr. WALSINGHAM, (*a*) 'that many who are very indifferently skilled in arts 'and ſciences, would have made an amazing 'progreſs, and [alſo] gained eminent perfection in them, THROUGH a *proper education*, and *ſuitable encouragement*.' This obſervation gave me occaſion to make another, which, tho' more ſtrange, will I hope be acknowledged by him at leaſt to be as true, That ſome, who, THROUGH want of *a proper education*, might be thought *very indifferently skilled* in ſome one particular *art or ſcience, have made*, THROUGH a *ſuitable encouragement* alone, *an amazing progreſs* therein. Theſe inſtances of '(*b*) ſublime *genius* indeed have been ſo rarely ſeen [in arts, 'as well as] in *government*, or in *arms*, during theſe laſt 'centuries, that when any hath appeared, it hath ſeemed 'as if it were not the *growth of the times*.' However, the inſtance I ſhall give, will be owned by all to be really the *growth of the* preſent *times:* in which we ourſelves have ſeen a plant of an extraordinary nature, which, tho' raiſed in no very *proper* ſeminary, yet being tranſplanted into a warmer climate and a better ſoil, and there watered with a very bountiful hand, has ſuddenly ſhot up and diffuſed its branches, ſo as to overtop and ſhade all the ſhrubs which ſtood round about it.

The inſtance I mean, is the great FRANCIS WALSINGHAM Eſq; who having been bred up, as is generally ſayed, to the art of writing, and become an *admirable artiſt* therein, has had the peculiar happineſs to eſcape (*c*) 'the miſ-'fortune of the moderns in general, who have made no 'diſtinction between *Artiſts* and *Mechanicks*.' But this gentleman, by ſome lucky accident, coming to the knowledge of a very great perſon, who 'had *taſte* and *diſcern-'ment* equal to his high fortune,' was by him advanced from the low employment of a writer, literal and *mechanical*, to the high ſtation of a figurative and *artificial* writer, to the wonder and amazement of all that read his ſublime weekly lucubrations. For in theſe, for the ſpace of above three years, he has diſplayed his great skill in the arts of Politicks and Rhetoric; the very rudiments of which, tho' he never learned by a *proper education*, yet has he reached the higheſt pitch *through a ſuitable encouragement*.

Nor is it only by his *eminent perfection* in theſe arts, that this gentleman has manifeſted his *ſublime capacity*; but he has very lately ſignalized it in a more eminent manner, by ſhewing that he has made a more *amazing progreſs* in the arts of *painting, ſculpture*, and *ſtatuary*. This *progreſs* is certainly *more amazing*, becauſe theſe arts have been hitherto generally thought to be attainable in a way very different, and much more difficult than the other. A perſon of extraordinary parts, only by reading the beſt books which treat of Politics and Rhetoric, may poſſibly gain ſuch a knowledge in both, as to repreſent the notions of others, and his own, in pure and expreſſive language. But in order to be a complete judge in *painting, ſculpture*, or *ſtatuary*, it is neceſſary to have had a *proper education* in ſome famous Academy; to have ſtudy'd for ſeveral years all the graces of the moſt celebrated works, antient and modern, in the originals, or at leaſt in the fineſt copies of them; and to have converſed with the moſt celebrated artiſts of the age. It is morally impoſſible, for a perſon not educated in this manner, to diſcern the nice ſtrokes and touches of art, which diſtinguiſh the hands of artiſts, and are imperceptible to all but ſuch: and yet, without this diſcernment no man can form an exact judgment of their works, ſo as to give a rational preference to one above another.

This will naturally draw from the wondering reader theſe two queſtions: Has Mr. WALSINGHAM then really this diſcernment? and How could he poſſibly attain it?— In anſwer to the firſt, we are aſſured that he really has it; becauſe he actually exerts it upon proper occaſions. That this is matter of fact, we have as good authority as any man's in England. Such the grave Mr. OSBORNE, a perſon of the ſtricteſt veracity, has publickly declared his to be: and all the world will acknowledge, that the authority I am going to produce is as good as his. For it is no other than the authority of Mr. WALSINGHAM himſelf; who tells us, that he (*d*) 'knows Mr. RYSBRACK to be a *good* 'ſtatuary'; that he (*e*) 'has lately had the pleaſure of ſee-'ing the ſtatue *of our great and brave* king WILLIAM III.' 'done by his hand: he aſſures us, that 'this ſtatue is form-'ed with infinite application and ſucceſs, and is worthy of 'publick attention, as it is a work of *genius*, which will 'do honour to the nation'; that 'the *ingenious ſtatuary* 'ſeems to have exerted the utmoſt powers of his inven-'tion, and to have laboured with the trueſt judgment': he declares, that 'it is in truth a ſtatue worthy to bear the 'form and likeneſs of king WILLIAM III. and that as the 'great ancients themſelves would have paid a willing 'worſhip to the *immortal ſubject*, ſo they would have 'given, without doubt, a loud and laſting applauſe to the 'admirable *artiſt*': of all this he is very certain, becauſe he 'thinks he ſees the ſpirit of antiquity ſublimely expreſ-'ſed in every ſtroke. To carry the panegyric ſtill higher, he adds, that 'had any but RYSBRACK attempted *king* 'WILLIAM, he ſhould have been in pain, from an appre-'henſion that they were labouring to deſerve a ſevere in-'dignation; that if this artiſt 'lives he is ſure he will 'produce *many excellent works*; and if the *higher ranks* 'of life would ſufficiently make his art their care, the 'ſchool of *ſtatuary* may take its riſe from him, and the age 'he lives in may become illuſtrious to all which ſhall ſuc-'ceed it.' And to crown all, he confirms his own judgment in ſtatuary, by that 'of the mayor and aldermen of BRISTOL, whoſe great skill is indiſputable, and declares he '(*f*) will ſpeak it for the *honour* of BRISTOL, that *their* 'city hath as much diſtinguiſhed *its judgment* in *their* 'election of an *artiſt*, as *its generoſity* in *the reward which* 'THEY *aſſigned him*.'

To the other queſtion, How could Mr. WALSINGHAM, without a *proper education*, ever attain to ſuch an exact knowledge and diſcernment in the art of ſtatuary? I anſwer directly, that it was by *inſpiration* or *enthuſiaſm*, attended with a *ſuitable encouragement:* to which two cauſes he aſcribes the appearance of the greateſt men among the antients, both in arts and arms. For tho', as he juſtly obſerves, (*g*) 'that noble and generous *enthuſiaſm*, which 'inſpired the world in its early days, hath long ſince been 'loſt among us;' tho' the *artiſt* and the *hero* are alike 'rarely ſeen, becauſe that *divine flame* which animated 'both, hath been neglected, deſpiſed, and [what is worſe] 'wanted due encouragement:' yet he owns, there now and then riſes, even in *later ages*, a *ſublime genius*, as well in *art*, as in *heroiſm*; both which are *warmed* and and *animated* by the *ſame fire* and the *ſame ſpirit*, the fire and ſpirit of *enthuſiaſm*. Of heroes, he gives for inſtances, (*h*) 'the *two* greateſt *men*, whom the modern times 'have known, or the *Engliſh* armies were ever led by, 'king WILLIAM the *third* and the *duke of* MARLBROUGH;' who, he tells us, by a 'felicity, which we have reaſon to 'to be proud of, have lately had RYSBRACK to give them 'life and likeneſs in braſs and marble.' It is great pity, that he could not produce one example more to accompany Mr. RYSBRACK; that ſo the modern inſtances in *art* might have equalled thoſe in *heroiſm*. Had he taken a turn or two in Weſtminſter Abbey, and carefully viewed the monuments there, he might perhaps have fixed his eyes upon the works of one, who has *expreſſed the ſpirit of antiquity*, tho' in a different manner; and who, if Mr. RYSBRACK, to the detriment of this noble art, ſhould happen to be ſnatched out of the world, may poſſibly ſucceed him, with as little diſadvantage to his own reputation, as the *duke of* MARLBROUGH ſucceeded *king* WILLIAM.— Theſe two heroes were contemporaries: the former, as he is here juſtly ſtiled, *the delight and prodigy of this country*; the latter, *our immortal deliverer*. But, tho' the one was a *king*, yet he was not a greater *general* than the other; who ſeems to have had a juſter claim to the title of *invincible*, here conferred upon him, and as juſt a one to that of *immortal*. As the characters of two contemporary ſtatuaries may ſeem to reſemble thoſe of theſe two heroes: ſo it is poſſible, that a few years may ſhew, that they reſemble them as much in their different fortunes and ſucceſs.

Nor is the compariſon at all derogatory to the fame of theſe heroes; ſince Mr. WALSINGHAM has made it evident, that the ſtatuary is equal to the hero in greatneſs of genius, which in both is produced by the ſame cauſe, (*i*) *the inſpiration of the times*. So that in this reſpect they both ſtand upon equal ground; and the only difference is merely accidental, in the brandiſhing either of a ſword, or of a chiſel. For (*k*) 'the ſame ſpirit which fired ALEXANDER 'formed his APELLES and his PRAXITELES. And the reaſon which is given why it was not proper for any but RYSBRACK to have attempted *king* WILLIAM, is becauſe (*l*) 'No hand can give the *expreſſion of a Hero* to 'any figure, unleſs he is bleſt with genius *to conceive* 'the reality *of heroiſm*. There muſt be the *true ſublime* 'in the artiſt's imagination, otherwiſe he will never reach 'or deſcribe the *ſublime* of ſuch an *elevated character*.'— From whence two things naturally follow, That every Hero, and particularly *king* WILLIAM, has ſomething grand in his very aſpect, air, and mein, which plainly ſhews *the* internal *reality of heroiſm*; and, That Mr. WALSINGHAM has *the true ſublime in his imagination*, ſince he has ſo well *deſcribed the ſublime of ſuch elevated characters*, in *heroiſm* and *ſtatuary*. As to the latter of which in particular, the ſurprizing skill and judgment, by which he has lately ſhewed himſelf a perfect *connoiſſeur*, being not the effect of any *proper education*, of any application at all to the art, and converſation with great artiſts, muſt be ſolely an emanation of his tranſcendent genius, which owes its original to that *divine flame, that paſſion for perfection*, which is kindled by *inſpiration* or *enthuſiaſm*.

But after all which I have here ſayed, in juſt admiration of Mr. WALSINGHAM's *ſublime capacity*, I muſt, as an impartial writer, repreſent to the world the malicious remarks of ſome envious perſons, upon this very panegyric. This, I know, will be ſo far from giving him the leaſt uneaſineſs, or tending to his diſadvantage, that it will only excite his juſt contempt of ſuch impotent adverſaries, and furniſh him with new matter of triumph over them.— They ſay, that this Paper, like the reſt of his compoſitions, conſiſts of an indigeſted heap of high flown tautologies, which convey no meaning to the reader; that where he has attempted to uſe rhetorical figures, he has inverted and ſet them upon the wrong end; that there is not only falſe reaſoning in it, but even falſe grammar; that one part of it contradicts another; that there are ſeveral hiſtorical miſtakes, and one egregious blunder which overturns his whole panegyric, and entirely deſtroys the reputation of his judgment in the art of ſtatuary. For, in order to do honour to Mr. RYSBRACK, he has attributed to him the buſtoes, *thoſe monuments of genius, which her majeſty hath choſen to grace her* GROTTO; which unfortunately happen to be the work of another, and as ſome think, a much inferior hand. Upon which account, they ſay, that, if Mr. RYSBRACK, out of gratitude for this affectionate zeal without knowledge, ſhould think fit to exert *the greateſt profuſion of his art* upon Mr. WALSINGHAM's own buſt, as the propereſt preſent for him; in order to render it more *antique*, it ought to be adorned with the ears of MIDAS, and to have the following words *inſcribed on the pedeſtal with everlaſting characters*.

F. W. S. G. S. *Ob ſingularem artis ſtatuariæ cognitionem, ſigna quædam marmorea, artificis minùs illuſtris opus, ſtatuariorum omnium ſui temporis, ut ipſe dixit, longè principi, adjudicantem.* MÆVIUS.

(*l*) *Pag.* 2. *col.* 1.

Annotations on the FREE BRITON.

THE ſame ſpirit which fired Alexander *formed his* Apelles *and his* Praxiteles. Pag. 1. col 2.] PRAXITELES flouriſhed ſome years before ALEXANDER was born. And if we ſuppoſe the latter part of his life to have extended to the former part of ALEXANDER's, it does not appear, that he gave him any particular encouragement. Nay, the contrary is evident from the teſtimonies of ſeveral of the ancients, particularly that of PLINY. *Edixit imperator ille, ne quis ipſum alius quàm Apelles pingeret, quàm Pyrgoteles ſculperet, quàm Lyſippus ex ære duceret.* Lib. VII. cap. 37. *He by an edict forbad any one to paint him but* APELLES, *to ingrave him* [on gems, &c.] *but* PYRGOTELES, *and to caſt him in braſs but* LYSIPPUS.

Apelles *and* Praxiteles *were painters, ſculptors, and ſtatuaries.* Ibid.] APELLES was no *ſculptor*, nor *ſtatuary*; and PRAXITELES was no *painter*. This gentleman, I ſuppoſe, intended to ſay, APELLES *was a painter, and* PRAXITELES *a ſculptor, and ſtatuary*. But then if he meant by *ſculptor* the ſame with *ſtatuary*, it is tautology; and if he meant an *engraver*, it is falſe: for ſuch the elder PRAXITELES was not. There was one indeed of the ſame name, in the time of POMPEY, who was an *engraver*, or rather an *embоſſer*, which ſome learned perſons think to be the proper ſignification of *celator*.

(*a*) *Free Briton, Aug.* 16. *pag.* 2. *col.* 1. (*b*) *Pag.* 1. *col.* 2. (*c*) *Pag.* 2. *col.* 1. (*d*) *Pag.* 2. *col.* 2.

(*e*) *Pag.* 1. *col.* 1. (*f*) *Pag.* 2. *col.* 1. (*g*) *Pag.* 1. *col.* 2. (*h*) *Ibid.* (*i*) *Pag.* 1. *col.* 2. (*k*) *Ibid.*

The Hero *breathes in his* ſtatues, *and lives on his* medals, *with* all the greatneſs *which diſplayed itſelf in his battles.* Ibid.] It is to be hoped, that Mr. WALSINGHAM will ſome time or other oblige the world with a *Diſſertation* upon theſe *ſtatues* and *medals* of APELLES and PRAXITELES, which he ſeems to have lately ſeen.

As I have taken notice of a ſmall miſtake or two of my brother WALSINGHAM: ſo I think myſelf obliged impartially to mention one of my brother MÆVIUS. In column 2. he infers from what Mr. WALSINGHAM has layed down, that 'the hero and the ſtatuary ſtand upon equal ground in reſpect of genius.' But I think he has plainly given the ſuperiority to the latter, in making his art the ſole cauſe of the heroiſm of the former. For in *pag.* 1. *col.* 1. he has theſe remarkable words: 'The 'ſculptor *and the ſtatuary* vied in their works with living 'nature, whilſt the *leader of armies*, and the *diſpenſer of* 'of *laws*, AMBITIOUS TO BE *the ſubjects of thoſe arts*, vied 'in their actions with the *immortal Gods.*'

BAVIUS.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
S J. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
W E. *Whitehall Evening Poſt.*
L E. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 30. His highneſs the prince of Orange will embarque on thurſday next. *DA.* — The 13th of September, O.S. is fix'd for the embarkation of the prince of Orange. *DP.*—The marriage will be ſolemniz'd at Hampton-court. *LE.*—'Tis certain that the court does not come at all to Kenſington this ſeaſon. *LE. SJ.*

We hear that M. Ziemſcher is appointed his Pruſſian majeſty's ſecretary at this court, in the room of count Degenfelt. *P.*

We hear from Wincheſter, that his grace the duke of Bolton, lord ſteward of that city, the firſt time ſince he has been diſmiſs'd of his employments, appear'd there on the 21ſt. He was met at 5 miles diſtance, by a great number of gentlemen farmers, &c. with the moſt unanimous acclamations that ever were ſhewn, &c. *DP.*

A baronet near Holywell in Flintſhire, having obtain'd a ſequeſtration againſt a gentleman, a man got into the houſe, and was immediately turned out and ſhot at. The defendant's ſon meeting this man, coming from church the next ſunday, drew a knife and ſtabbed him. On this the defendant has barricaded his houſe, and aſſiſted by a number of armed men, and proviſions for a year, has withſtood all the power of the county. The plaintiff has wrote to the court, to deſire that the troop of dragoons, now as Shrewsbury, may be aſſiſtant in bringing the defendant to juſtice. *DJ.*

His majeſty's warrant is come to the mint-office, ordering the coinage of 50 tons of half-pence and farthings, to be exported to Ireland. *DA.* — *Theſe* half-pence and farthings *are not of* Wood's metal.

The right hon. Sir Tho. Lyttelton Bar. one of the lords of the admiralty, and Sir Herbert Perrott Pakington Bar. the preſent knights for the county of Worceſter, have declared themſelves candidates. *DA.*

Mr. Knowler, a gentleman of an unblemiſh'd character, is choſen recorder of the city of Canterbury, in the room of Mr. Crayford deceas'd. *SJ. WE. LE.*

Married on ſaturday —— Ogilvie Eſq; to miſs Gray, a young lady of celebrated beauty, and a fortune of 10,000 l. *DJ.* — On ſunday John Singelair, of Cheſhund Eſq; to miſs Colby of S. Albans, an agreeable young lady, and a fortune of 4000 l. *WE.*—Sinclair. *C. Aug.* 31. — On tueſday the earl of Pembroke to miſs Fitzwilliams, late maid of honour to her majeſty. *DP.*

Died on wedneſday the rev. Dr. Hunt dean of Bath. *DA.* — Laſt ſunday at Hammerſmith, Sir James Fleetwood Knt. married about nine months ſince to Mrs Sarah Marſh, a fortune of 5000 l. and 300 l. per ann. *P.* — On monday in S. Martin's-lane, monſieur de Moinor, very famous for teaching young gentlemen and ladies on the flute, and other inſtruments. *SJ.*

Chriſtened males 154: females 141: in all 295. —— *Buried* males 274: females 272: in all 546. — Decreaſed in the chriſtenings 34.

FRIDAY, *Aug* 31. All the officers belonging to the royal navy that are in commiſſion have received orders to repair immediately to their poſts on board their reſpective ſhips. *C. DP.* — On thurſday rear-admiral Stewart went on board the Edinburgh at Spithead, and hoiſted his flag, *the white*, DJ. — All the guard ſhips are ordered to complete, and fall down to the Nore. *C.*

On the 23d inſtant Sir George Oxenden, one of the candidates for the county of Kent, was met two miles out of Folkſtone by the mayor and jurats, and about 150 freeholders, &c. Sir George opened ten houſes to entertain the freeholders, and nothing but the found of Middleſex and Oxenden was to be heard in the ſtreets throughout the whole evening. *DJ.*— *They paid for all.*

We hear that Sir John Lad, Bar. George Heathcote, John Bance Eſqs, Sir John Thompſon, Mr. Sclard, Son of Sir Iſaac, and Mr. Inwen, intend to ſtand ſingle for the borough of Southwark. *DA.* — Walter Lloyd, of Peterwell, and James Lloyd Eſqs, ſtand candidates, the firſt for the county of Cardigan, and the latter for the borough, in oppoſition to the preſent members; they have alſo agreed to ſtand by each other with their intereſt. *DP.*

Married on monday Mr. Andrews, an eminent watchmaker in Alderſgate-ſtreet to miſs Baſeter, an agreeable young lady, with a good fortune, *C.* — *He became* eminent *by this* marriage.

Died a few days ſince Edw. Wettenhall, M. D. eldeſt ſon to the late rev. Dr. Edw. Wettenhall, biſhop of Cork in Ireland. *DP.* — On monday at Langleybury in Hertfordſhire, John Abbot Eſq; formerly an eminent Hamburg merchant. *C. DP.*

Yeſterday morning about 3, Mr. Collings, a noted ſadler at the corner of Chancery-lane, ſtabbed himſelf in the left breaſt with a penknife, and bled ſo faſt, there was no hopes of his recovery. *DJ.*

SATURDAY, *Sept.* 1. We hear that rear admiral Stewart will ſail with 16 men of war for the Baltic in about 3 weeks time. *DP.*

The right hon. the lord Carpenter has been invited by the city of Hereford to be one of their candidates, and we hear he has accepted of the ſame. —— We hear that Will. Angell of Stockwell Eſq, will ſtand a candidate for Reading. *DJ.*

A few days ſince a commiſſion was iſſued, under the great ſeal empowering Sir John Lade Bar. Sir John Williams Knt. Sir John Taſh Knt. Tho. Mayhyn Eſq; &c. in number 13, to enquire into the abuſes in the eccleſiaſtical court of Canterbury, and other inferior courts. *DJ.*

On wedneſday Mr. Will. Pomroy, an eminent linnen-draper in Leadenhall-ſtreet, was unanimouſly choſen a common-council man, in the room of Mr. Deputy Tombs deceas'd. *C. DP.*

Five days ago a fiſh was taken on the ſands near Wells, and as I ſaw it I can aſſure you that I never ſaw or heard of any thing like it. It is 40 inches long, and in the middle it is eight inches from the back to the lower part of the belly; almoſt round, and taper to the tail, very ſmall, to three inches; it has four fins, or paws, two before and two behind; the fore fins are 10 inches long and five inches broad, webb'd like a duck, and divided in o five parts, with claws at the end of each part an inch long; the hind ones are of the ſame length as thoſe before, but are 10 inches broad, two inches between each claw; the fins, or paws, are both jointed before and behind; the head reſembles a tyger's, having teeth ſharp and long, with ſmellers, and a very quick full eye; it has two ſmall holes, which it hears through, in the ſame poſition with quadruples; it is of a dun colour, very ſleek and fine hair about half an inch long, and a ſhort bob tail an inch and an half long. While I was admiring of it a young cat came into the room, on which it lifted up its head, and look'd as eager at it as a cat at a mouſe. It is now alive, and carried to Norwich for a ſhew. *DJ.* — *This ſeems to be an emblem of* exciſe, *caught on our coaſts. The* hiſtorian *ſays, it is* in the ſame poſition with quadruples: *to repreſent the* quadruple *im*poſition *of the* ſcheme.

We are inform'd by lettres from Lynn Regis in Norfolk, that on tueſday laſt, when Sir Edmund Bacon and Mr. Wodehouſe went to that place, they were met a mile from the town by a great number of the neighbouring gentlemen of the county, and by near 100 freeholders reſiding in Lynn, on horſeback, attended by about 120 men, each of whom carried a Streamer, and ſo proceeded to the Maid's-Head Inn at Lynn, with loud acclamations of the people. This appearance (tho' not equal to what has been in favour of thoſe gentlemen at other places in the county) may be looked upon as very great, conſidering the powerful influence which ſome perſons in high ſtation, are ſuppoſed to have in that corporation.

Married yeſterday morning Rich. Thomſon of Lincoln's-inn Eſq; ſecond prothonotary of the court of common-pleas, at Ely-chappel to miſs Pen Cave, youngeſt daughter of the lady Cave of Southampton-row; an accompliſh'd young lady, and a conſiderable fortune. *DA.*

Died on wedneſday at Reading, aged 105, Mrs. Mary Marton, a maiden gentlewoman, reputed worth 10,000 l. *DA.*

MONDAY, *Sept.* 3. They write from Eveſham in Worceſterſhire, that on tueſday laſt came on the election of a mayor for the ſaid corporation. The conteſt was between the friends of Sir John Kuſhout Bar. and John Rudge Eſq; in conjunction, and the friends of Will. Taylor Eſq; and after the utmoſt efforts on the part of Sir John and Mr. Rudge, Sam. Goodere Eſq; one of the ſons of Sir Edward, was duly elected. This election occaſioned the loudeſt acclamations, that ever were heard in that borough. *P.*

Laſt week the directors of the bank were pleaſed to ſubſcribe 3000 l. towards the ſettling of ſeveral poor families in Georgia. *P.*

Married the beginning of laſt week Tho. Ferne Eſq; to miſs Vane of Lincolnſhire, a beautiful young gentlewoman with a handſome fortune. *C.* — A few days ſince —— Theobalds Eſq; at S. Antholin's church in Watling-ſtreet, to miſs Laughton of Hackney, a young lady of very conſiderable fortune. *P.* — On ſaturday Mr. John Montier, an eminent broker in Tower royal, to a French young lady of great beauty, with a fortune of 5000 l. *DA.*

Died on friday at Hammerſmith Rob. Jennings Eſq; a gentleman poſſeſs'd of a plentiful eſtate in the county of Lincoln. *C.* — On ſaturday morning of a violent fever at Hampton-court, M. Hartoff, eldeſt ſon of baron Hartoff, his majeſty's principal miniſter for the affairs of Poland. *DP.* — Yeſterday morning in Park-place, John Billingſley Eſq; reputed worth 30,000 l. and 700 l. per ann. which devolves upon his ſon a young gentleman at Oxford. *DA.*

Laſt night the corps of Edward Wetenhall, M.D late of Corke in Ireland, having lain in ſtate in the Jeruſalem-chamber, was inter'd with great ſolemnity in Weſtminſter-abbey, near that of his father biſhop of Kilmore: the funeral ſervice was perform'd by the right rev. the dean, and the pall ſupported by Drs. Beaufort, Monro, Dodd, Wilmot, Nicholls, and Wigan. *DA.*

TUESDAY, *Sept.* 4. On ſunday the rev. Dr. Pearce preached before their majeſties, his royal highneſs the prince, &c. at Hampton-court. *C.* — His royal highneſs the prince of Orange is expected in town the beginning of next week. *DP.* — The embarkation of his highneſs will not be ſo ſudden as has been mentioned. *DA.*

We hear that the hon. Price Devereux and Tho. Powys Eſqs, have been invited to ſtand candidates for Orford in Suffolk. *P. DA.* —— *Feverſham, Aug.* 31. Yeſterday there was a numerous meeting here of deputy-lieutenants, juſtices of the peace, and other gentlemen, &c. with the mayor of this corporation, the free fiſhermen, &c. who all unanimouſly reſolved for the public good to vote for lord Middleſex and Sir George Oxenden. *C. DJ. DA.*

Mr. Phillips of Garmington-hall in Leiceſterſhire was nominated laſt week by the gentlemen aſſembled at the races, to ſtand for knight of the ſhire, in the room of Sir Clobury Noel Bar. deceas'd. *DA.*

The inner quadrangle or court-yard of the new college of S. Mary Magdalen, in Oxford, is to be 300 feet ſquare, and 'tis ſaid the whole will coſt 100000 l. *DA.*

Sunday being the anniverſary of the fire of London in the year 1666, the ſame was obſerved yeſterday; when the rev. Mr. Abbot preached before the right hon. the lord mayor, aldermen, &c. at S. Paul's, &c. *C.* — An excellent ſermon. *DP.*

'Tis currently reported, that a proclamation will ſpeedily be iſſued for calling the parliament, in order to ſit and diſpatch buſineſs, the latter end of november next. *DJ.*

On ſaturday a wager of 100 guineas will be row'd for from the old ſwan to Wandſworth, by two pair of oars, two men of London and two of Surrey. *DP.*

Died laſt friday at Acton, Mr. Charles Maſon, formerly a noted Weſt-India Merchant. *P.* — At night a gentleman came to the mitre-tavern in James-ſtreet, Covent-garden, and called for half a pint of wine, and died before he drank it. *C. DP.*

WEDNESDAY, *Sept.* 5. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint the right hon. the earl of Balcarres to be captain of that company whereof —— Pulteny, Eſq; was late captain, in the ſecond regiment of foot gurds, called *Coldſtream. C. DJ.*

On ſunday laſt birgadier gen. Cha. Churchill kiſſed his Majeſty's hand for the regiment of dragoons lately commanded by lieut. gen. Evans. *C.*

Yeſterday in the Afternoon an expreſs arrived at Whitehall from Holland, with ſome diſpatches from his excellency Mr. Finch, his majeſty's embaſſador extraordinary to the States-general, and immediately proceeded to Hampton-Court, which we hear has brought ſome accounts relating to the election of a king of Poland. —'Tis concluded on on all hands, that king Staniſlaus is landed either at Hamburgh, Lubeck, or Dantzick, the wind having continu'd fair ever ſince the French ſquadron ſailed from our channel. *DP.*

Yeſterday morning the duke and dutcheſs of Dorſet, together with their ſons the earl of Middleſex and the lord John Sackville, ſet out for Cheſter, to embark for Ireland: George Bubb Dodington Eſq; who has been ſome days at his ſeat in Dorſetſhire, will meet their graces at Cheſter. *DP.*

On Monday a diſpute aroſe between two ſoldiers wives at the barracks in the tower; one of them who was the aggreſſor, was ordered by the commanding Officer to be turn'd out, but her husband ſwore he would kill any one who ſhould attempt it; and complaint being made to the

captain of the guard, a corporal, with a file of muſqueteers were ordered to take him into cuſtody; but on their approach, he ſwore he would kill the firſt that laid hold on him, and immediately ſhot the corporal through the left breaſt dead on the ſpot; and being examined before Col. Williamſon governor of the tower, he committed him to Newgate. *C.*

Married, on ſaturday morning capt. Whitcombe, a gentleman lately arrived from New England, at S. Paul's cathedral, to miſs Betty Wadmough of Finch-lane, a beautiful young gentlewoman with a good fortune. *C.*

Died yeſterday morning early, in Duke-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, Mrs. Selwyn, a lady of a very conſiderable fortune. —The ſame morning, at her houſe at Brumpton, Mrs. Sarah Jackſon, a maiden lady of a good fortune. *P.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Dear Mr. Bavius,

I'M got amongſt a pack of the moſt whimſical creatures breathing.—— T'other day, who ſhou'd come in company, but Mr.—— a great fat animal, and one of the modiſh mercurialiſts.—— Egad, he had taken ſuch a doſe, that upon riſing from his chair to take his leave, down it ran moſt plentifully from his breeches knees.—— They tell me, he every night guttles down a large quantity of horſe-radiſh water, a never-failing remedy, yon may believe, againſt the gravel.—— Here's another ſtrange wretch Mr. Maggot, who has reduced himſelf to a mere skeleton by his ſlops.—I dare ſay his ſhins are ſharp enough to cut pudding.—— All this, truly, is to hinder obſtruction, and promote perſpiration.

Read but the following account of him, and if you don't ſay he has fancies enough for any ten conſcionably whimſical people, why —— I'll feed on water-gruel for ſix weeks together.

I am,

Dear Bavy,

Your's from the Zenith to the Nadir,

Philo-Grubæus Cantab.

The VALETUDINARIAN.

MAGGOT pretends to ſome diſcerning
in phyſic, 'mongſt his other learning;
His health employs his daily care;
He purges now, now takes the air.
Yet tho' try'd variouſly his skill,
Th' unhappy man ſucceeds but ill.
His conſtitution moſt perverſe
Each day by regimen grows worſe.
The jordan now is ſet aſide,
And ev'ry day his water try'd:
By this, phyſicians ſeldom fail,
To gueſs at what their patients ail;
And by this water hangs a tale.
A nymph, who of his room took care,
A nymph not over-young, nor fair,
(As Johnian nymphs but ſeldom are)
As ſhe aſſiduous round the room,
Ply'd her duſt-diſſipating broom,
Perceiv'd, her water fain would flow
From its accuſtom'd vent below.
And haſt'ning ſtraightway to the place,
Where ſtood the urinary vaſe,
Taking the utenſil, ſhe pours
Forth from within moſt copious ſhow'rs:
The waters kindly join, as ale
Mix'd by my landlord, mild and ſtale.
The ſacred ſtreams of Alpheus ſo
With Arethusa's waters flow.
Maggot returns, the day being fair,
After his complement of air;
He takes the pot, the ſmell was ſtrange,
And wonderful the colours change.
To find what ſecret lurks within,
He taſtes, and looks, and taſtes again.
Methinks, ſays he, I'm turn'd to woman;
For ſurely with the ſtate of no man,
Can this be eaſily reconcil'd:
Pray heav'n I do not prove with child.
And ſee how far our fancy goes;
He thinks his belly lately roſe,
And almoſt feels a mother's throws.
Then having well himſelf ſurvey'd,
And ſore of pangs unknown afraid,
Beſpeaks Lucina's future aid.
What man alive can bear the curſe,
Of tatling goſſips, midwife, nurſe?
To feed on ſlops was not ſo cruel;
He long had fed on water-gruel.
But leſt digreſſion in my ſong,
Sould tire your patience.— E'er 'twas long,
The damſel had the ſame occaſion,
Which wou'd admit no prorogation.
She eas'd her as ſhe did before;
When he by chance approach'd the door,
And heard a murmur, as of rills
Falling 'mongſt pebbles down the hills.
He wonders what the noiſe ſhould be,
And turns with curious haſte the key.
The damſel can't the fact deny,
Her down-caſt looks alone reply.
While he enrag'd, fail'd not to rate her:
A ſaucy jade, that dares to ſcatter
Into her maſter's pot her water;
And raiſe ſuch whimſies in the brain
Of Valetudinarian!
She ne'er muſt have the honour more
To make his bed, or ſweep his floor.
Servant no more to *Alma mater*,
She blames her unretentive nature.
Howe'er poor Maggot's not diſpleas'd,
Thus of his fancy'd burden eas'd;
As being not compell'd to ſtand
In need of aid from midwife's hand.

P.S. Theſe lines were ſpoken upon a late occaſion, Mr Maggot himſelf preſent.

Dublin, Aug. 25. The rev. George Stone M. A. is made dean of the cathedral church of S. Edan in the dioceſe of Ferns, in the room of Tho. Sawbridge, clerk, deceas'd. *P. Sept.* 1.

Extract of a letter from Savannah *in* Georgia, *dated* June 25.

On the 12th Mr. Oglethorp went up to the horſe-quarter, which lies up the river ſix miles above this place; he took with him Capt. Macpherſon, with a detachment of his rangers; after a march of 40 miles, he choſe a poſt which commands the paſſages, by which the Indians uſed to invade Carolina in the late wars: upon this ſituation, which is a very happy one, being an eminence which commands all the country round, with a great and deep river at the foot of it, Capt. Macpherſon has undertaken, purſuant to Mr. Oglethorpe's plan, to erect a fortification, to be call'd Fort Argyle: he and his rangers are to be quartered there, and ten families from hence to remove thither to cultivate lands which will be granted them in that neighbourhood.

While Mr. Oglethorpe was at Charles-Town, an Indian ſhot himſelf near our town: his uncle, who is the war king of the Forks, with his friends, finding him dead, and believing that he had been murder'd by the Engliſh, ſwore he would be revenged on them. King Tomo Chi Chi being informed thereof came to the place, and ſtrove to quiet the Indians, ſaying, that he was perſwaded that it could not be the Engliſh that kill'd him, therefore deſired they would enquire better into the matter; but the uncle continuing in great rage, Tomo Chi Chi laid his breaſt bare, and ſaid, *If you will kill any body, kill me, for I am an* Engliſhman, which pacify'd them; and upon further examination, it was found that for ſome days he had been in deſpair, and deſired ſeveral of the Indians to ſhoot him; and an Indian boy ſaw him kill himſelf in the following manner, he placed the muzzle of his gun under his chin, and with his great toe puſh'd the trigger, *C. DP. Sept.* 4.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Thursday, *Aug.* 30. — *Paris, Aug.* 28. King Staniſlaus went to Calais, and went on board the King's ſquadron, compoſed of eighteen men of war compleatly equipt. *C.* — *Deal, Aug.* 28. The Maſter of a fiſhing-boat from Rye, gives an account that the day before a fleet of 12 ſail of French ſhips, with two vice and one rear-admiral's flags flying, lay to off that Port, about an hour and half, when a ſmall frigate joined them, whom they ſaluted, and directly made ſail to the eaſtward. *P. DJ.*

Friday, *Aug.* 31. — *Hamburgh, Sept.* 1. We hear from Warſaw, that the Count Lewolde, the Ruſſian miniſter, narrowly eſcaped being ſhot in his coach, by a piſtol, the ball paſſing through the coach very near him; whereupon his excellency, with his brother, thought fit to retire out of Warſaw immediately, very privately. *DJ.*

Tuesday, *Sept.* 4. — *Rome, Aug.* 15. A few days ſince the Chevalier de St. George had a private audience of his holineſs, 'tis ſaid upon extraordinary matters, perhaps becauſe it is not divulged on what ſubject. *DP.* It laſted above an hour in cloſe quarters, that is to ſay, with door ſhut. *P.*

Saturday, *Sept.* 1. — *Hague, Sept.* 1. 'The family of Monte-Calvi at Naples, is one of the moſt illuſtrious in that kingdom; high in their nobility, and without a blemiſh for many ages; till duke Laurentius, heir apparent of that houſe, ſtruck the other day with the beauty of a young woman of low parentage, proſtituted the honour of his family, by entering with her the nuptial bed. The ſecret was not long kept; it was carried to the dutcheſs his mother: ſhe refuſed for ſome time crediting ſo unwelcome a report; but at length convinced by indiſputable proofs, grief overcame her, and ſtopped the preſent functions of life. Reſtor'd by kind aſſiſtance, ſhe was once more herſelf; but, alas! rage had taken poſſeſſion, and dictated to her a ſhocking cruelty: ſhe called to her two Pages to follow her; and being led on by the ſpiteful information of ſome buſy perſon, ſhe found out the lodgings of her ſon's Wife; and after accoſting her with a thouſand upbraiding expreſſions, cauſed the two pages to ſtrangle her. They performed the cruel office with regret, upon ſo amiable a perſon; but obedience being their leading principle, they overcame all the ſtruggles of pity and humanity; and buried her corpſe afterwards in the garden privately. The young duke de Monte-Calvi ſoon after came home; he ran to throw himſelf in the boſom of his lady, but could not find her: he ſearched the whole apartment, but nothing furniſhed any information what was become of her; till at length ſpying ſome drops of blood on the floor, he drew his ſword and threw himſelf upon it. The duke's ſuicide, and the young lady's abſence, engroſs'd the diſcourſe of Naples for ſeveral days; when at length overcome with guilt and remorſe, one of the pages confeſs'd the murder, and had his accomplice ſeized. The dutcheſs immediately retired to a convent, in hopes of evading the hands of juſtice; but her proceſs is actually drawing up, and ſhe will be proceeded againſt with the utmoſt Severity. *DA.*

Paris, Aug. 28. Yeſterday the grand chamber of the parliament began to to hear the pleadings in the great cauſe between the marquis de Menard and his lady, in which M. Normand ſpoke with great eloquence, in favour of his client (the lady) and made many rhetorical flouriſhes, in ſaying the fineſt things poſſible to the advantage of the fair ſex. 'He proved that a woman was not ſubjected by law 'to her husband, as a ſon is to his father; that ſhe was the 'companion of the man, and not the ſlave; that there were 'ſometimes caſes wherein the authority of a man was 'given to the woman, and it often then happened, that the 'woman govern'd better than the man; and that in the inſtances there are of the women governing even kingdoms, 'almoſt all of them had eminently diſtinguiſhed themſelves, &c.' *DJ.* —*The preſent age proves this, in oppoſition to the* ſalique law.

Hague, Sept. 4. N.S. The prince of Orange taking the air this morning in a four-wheel'd chaiſe, had an accident of being thrown out of it as he paſſed through a turnpike, by one of the wheels hitting againſt a poſt; but his highneſs has received no great damage by it. The poſt from Warſaw has again failed, ſo that none here has had any advice directly from thence with regard to the affairs of Poland, *C.* &c.

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